

H. M. Raynor.

Platinum  
Apparatus, Vessels, Sheet, Wire, etc.  
for all  
Laboratory & Manufacturing Purposes.  
Scrap and Ore purchased.

25 Bond Street,

New York. Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1879

A. S. Snowden Esq.

Supt. U. S. Mint, Phil<sup>a</sup>

Dear Sir, —

I have to acknowledge your favor of the 17<sup>th</sup> inst. — and must ask pardon for not having read Mr. LeBois' letter with more attention. The "Assay Apparatus" you have been using was a small sample or trial affair that I had made in 1867, to suit the views of your Assayer Mr. J. R. Eckfeldt. The Platinum portion cost then some \$215<sup>00</sup> Gold, — but as the cost of the metal has since advanced quite 35% —, a duplicate, same weight in detail, would be represented by say \$270<sup>00</sup>. As it is not an Apparatus, of which any regular sizes are made up for stock, I could figure an estimate for a still smaller size, only by getting from you detailed weights and dimensions of such parts as you would need.

Respy yours

H. M. Raynor

NARA RG104, Entry 1, Box 116

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